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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

**U.S. PATENTS:**

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Date of Issue</u>
566,830	Wiget et al.	Sep 01, 1896
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The references listed above were cited by the German Examiner in Applicant's corresponding German patent application 103 10 259.0 (MPEP §2001.06(a)).

**OTHER U.S. PATENTS:**

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**OTHER PUBLICATIONS:**

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Web pages "Malco-Navi-Gator-Ship",  
[www.malcotools.com/products/snips/m2012.htm](http://www.malcotools.com/products/snips/m2012.htm) January 29, 2003(4 pages).

Copies of the above-listed foreign and non-patent references are enclosed, together with a completed form PTO-1449.

An English language abstract is attached to DE 31 00 998.

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